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**More on Zero Knowledge**

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## Part I

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We give a NIZK for HC - Graph Hamiltonicity in the HBM, and then transfer it into the standard model.

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# **From HBM to Standard NIZK**

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